

LITERARY NOTES.

It is understood that Robert Browning is at work on a new poem.

"The Crack of Doom," a novel which is now running through "Blackwood," is credited to the pen of Professor W. Minto of Aberdeen.

Ginn & Co., will publish early in the winter a translation edited by Professor George T. Ladd, Yale's Professor of Philosophy, of Hermann Lotze's "Outlines of Psychology." The same firm announces as in preparation the "Outlines of Aesthetics and of Logic."

"The Pall Mall Gazette" hears that Mr. Slack is preparing a reprint of Shelley's works, as edited by the late W. M. Rossetti. As before, it will be in three volumes, but a few copies will be printed on Van Gelder paper.

A cheap edition of George Eliot's *Life* is soon to appear in London.

Cupples & Co., have nearly ready "Success in Life" by Canon Farrar. It is to be prefaced by a brief biography of the author.

An edition of Charles Kingsley's charming "Water Babies," with 100 illustrations, will be published by the Macmillans, £1 month.

Edward Everett Hale's *g* story, "Ten Times One is Ten," which first appeared a good many years ago has led to the formation of scenes of excellent associations being for their object philanthropic work. Some of these organizations are known as Ten Times One Is Ten Clubs, others as Look Up Legions, and all of them have now come under a National organization. Those interested can address Mr. Hale at Roxbury, Mass.

In "Every Other Saturday" for October 26, will appear a sketch with portrait, of William H. Riden, the author of "A Little Upstart." The same magazine will print next week the first sermon preached to the students of Bowdoin College by its new president, the Rev. William DeWitt Hyde, on "Christ's Appeal to Self-Interest."

Austin Dobson is writing an introduction for a facsimile edition of "The Vicar of Wakefield."

"Organic Scientific Philosophy and Scientific Theism" is the title of a work by Francis E. Abbott, Ph.D., soon to be issued by Little, Brown & Co. This volume, it is understood, has its origin in two articles published in 1864 in "The North American Review" on "The Philosophy of Space and Time" and "The Conditioned and Unconditioned," and in the lecture given last summer before the Concord School of Philosophy on the question, "Is Pantheism the Legitimate Outcome of Modern Science?"

A JOHN BROWN'S PIKE.

[Presented me by my Director J. S. Cunningham—G. A. T.]

The smith, amidst his men,
Looked down and saw a face
Come down from the factory gaten,
In grave and bearded grace:

"Cousin then!" the old man said,
"Trust one upon his looks
And make me, for my sheep,
Five hundred sheepish crooks!"

"Yes, long as then must owe,
I'll fill thy order quick,
So many crooks do show
That thou hast many sheep!"

"Four million sheep are mine,"
The old man answered back;
"Far down the land they sains,
But all their fleece is black."

He left his pattern there,
Himself they soon forgot;
He kept his promise fair,
And owed the fenger not;

Till once, a wild man's hand,
Great slavery's smoky boot,
And in the negro's hair,
They found the shepherd's crook.

Then cried the law: "Who made
These piles of steel, so stout?"

"Be not, Oh, such afraid!"

The old wild man spoke out,
"My sheep the wolves had trod,

And I, good shepherd like,
My crook with iron shod,

And it became a pike."

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